

## TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

## LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, an old woman hermit, was choked to death by a robber in her cottage at Glencoe, St. Louis County.

The funeral of Ben F. Brady was one of the largest that has been held in St. Louis for years.

Miss Adele Humphrey, from whom a \$100,000 box was stolen, has been arrested to prosecute the man under arrest in spite of the fact that she does not want to do so.

The theme of the Reverend C. M. Ramey at Second Presbyterian Church was "Heavenly Citizenship Is the Richest Treasure."

The Reverend E. J. Conner, pastor of Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, declared the baptism of infants to be a duty.

That continuance in prayer is the only source of joy, was the theme of the Reverend M. R. Smith, at Cook Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The Reverend C. N. Moller discussed lessons from the parable of the Good Samaritan at St. John's Episcopal Church.

The Reverend W. O. Lewis, pastor of West Park Baptist Mission, asked his auditors to avoid the acts which hinder the work of God.

The fourth of the series of sermons on "Back to Christ," by the Reverend Doctor D. R. Dugan, at Mount Calvary Christian Church, was the last of the series. The good deeds and the advantages that come from imitation of them.

Mrs. Frances Long and her 8-month-old baby were arrested while the mother was seeking shelter for the night.

Six nephews of the late John M. Desloge acted as pallbearers at his funeral.

The lesson derived from the arrest of Christ was the subject of the discourse by the Reverend Chester Brice, evangelist, at Memorial Tabernacle Presbyterian Church.

Mamie Jeffries, the girl tramp, has been formed and declared she will no more travel in man's apparel.

William Bateman, a negro, was shot and killed in a quarrel with another negro named William Carter.

Bert Z. Howe shot at Wallace H. Lightheart because he insisted on calling at midnight on a young lady at Howe's boarding place.

Abram N. Milner, the ex-Street Commissioner, who was reported missing, was seen at Joplin Saturday by Roy Wright.

Susan E. Howe, mother of Harry B. Howe, president of the Police Board, died.

George Zieff died from a bullet wound inflicted by John Kelpie.

Louis Rheinboldt and Bertha Meyers, a child, were injured by falling shutters.

John E. Stephens, a veteran volunteer, caught a runaway horse attached to a buggy and rescued the driver.

The Belleville Carnival and Street Fair opens today.

Bloodhounds have lost the trail of the negro who shot at Farmer Huges, near Clarksburg, Ill., a few days ago.

**FOREIGN.**

Prince Ching, the Emperor's peace envoy, is in Peking under the protection of the Japanese Army. He is under an Imperial order to negotiate for peace. It is announced that he will shortly be joined by Earl Li Hung Chang.

Allied troops have entered the Forbidden City. The Imperial Palace was looted, sacked, and stripped of every article of value.

In selecting parts of Peking to be guarded and occupied by the different allies, France, by a trick, it is reported, has taken the palace of Prince Ching from the Americans. The palace is the richest in the city, and is supposed to contain much jewelry and millions of dollars in gold.

Sir Redvers Buller continues his advance in South Africa. After a sharp engagement with the Boers retired from Lydenburg and the Boers retired from Lydenburg and the Boers retired from Lydenburg.

An Imperial decree, issued August 19 at Hual-Lai, has reached Li Hung Chang. The Emperor states that he believes the Powers are anxious for peace, and directs Li Yau Lu, Hsu Tung and Ching Yu to gather in Peking and arrange terms with the allied nations.

A Chinese Admiral is at Canton engaged in raising 8,000 soldiers.

Three hundred men of the Sixth United States Cavalry defeated 500 Boxers sixteen miles from Peking.

Major Marchand of Fashoda, fame is on the way to China to join the French Peace Commission.

**Marine Intelligence.**

New York, Sept. 9.—Felix Marquette, London; Spartaco Prince, Genoa and Naples; Montezuma, Genoa, Barcelona and Cadiz; Queenstown, Sept. 9.—Sailed: Lucania (from Liverpool); New York.

Havre, Sept. 9.—Sailed: St. Germain, New York.

Southampton, Sept. 9.—Arrived: Aller, New York, for Bremen (and proceeded).

Lizard, Sept. 10, 12.35 a. m.—Sailed: Steamer Deutschland, New York, for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—Arrived: Vancouver, Liverpool; Numbina, Liverpool.

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**SHOT DOWN BY A ROBBER.**

John J. Noonan, seriously wounded—Culprit Escaped.

John J. Noonan, who, until August 5, was a clerk in the city department of the post office, was shot and probably fatally wounded by a highwayman at 12:30 o'clock this morning. The bullet entered his left side and penetrated the abdomen.

Noonan was going to his home, No. 3214 Clark avenue, when he was met by two armed men. They entered his car and drove to a warehouse on the corner of Clark and Tenth avenue. They demanded his money. He resisted and one of them fired on him, the bullet taking effect.

Doctor Voorsler, at the City Dispensary, thinks the wound dangerous. The robbers escaped.

**BLOODHOUNDS OFF THE TRAIL.**

No Trace of Negroes Who Assaulted Farmer Riggs.

No trace has been found of the two negroes who made the brutal assault on William Riggs of Godfrey on Friday afternoon. All Friday night and the greater part of Saturday a posse of men from Godfrey were searching for the negroes, but they were never able to again scent it.

The search in the neighborhood of Godfrey has been abandoned, but all the surrounding towns have been wired a description of the two fellows, and it is hoped they will be captured within a few days. Riggs was still alive yesterday evening, and his attending physician, Dr. J. H. Smith, had stronger hopes for his recovery than he had previously entertained.

**NO TRAINS IN EL PASO.**

Cloudbursts Have Added to the Damages of the Hurricane.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 9.—No through trains have arrived in El Paso since Friday night from the Northwest or South, on account of heavy rains and cloudbursts. The Southern Pacific Railroad has a number of pieces of track in New Mexico West of El Paso. The Mexican Central between here and Chihuahua is damaged in places. The rains have not been general, and the floods are the result of cloudbursts.

**HIS WOUND PROVED FATAL.**

George Zieff was Fatally Shot by John Kelpie.

George Zieff, who lived at No. 6311 South Broadway, died at the City Hospital at 11 o'clock last night from the effects of a bullet wound in the left breast. John Kelpie was arrested and charged with the murder. He is under arrest. He claims he acted in self-defense.

The men fought in a saloon at 302 South Broadway on Friday night. In the scuffle, Kelpie fired the fatal shot. He claimed Zieff was assaulted and struck with pool

## EMPEROR'S PEACE ENVOY HAS RETURNED TO PEKIN.

Prince Ching, Acting Under an Imperial Order, Will Remain in the Chinese Capital to Negotiate With the Agents of Foreign Powers.

Washington, Sept. 9.—The Japanese Legation has received the following telegram from the Foreign Office at Tokio:

"General Yamaguchi wired to the following effect: 'Colonel Shiba, who was sent by the Japanese Legation to Tientsin, September 8, escorted Prince Ching back to Peking. The Prince's residence, being in the district occupied by the Japanese, is guarded by them. Previous to his arrival, the Prince communicated to Major General Fukushima, saying that on account of the present grave situation he had been ordered by the Emperor to return to Peking and arrange affairs immediately.'

"The district in possession of the Japanese is now quiet and in order, and the Chinese, entertaining no fear, have resumed their business."

"The railway south of Tang-Tsun is working, but it is impossible to say when communication beyond that place will be re-opened."

**IMPERIAL DECREE FOR PEACE.**

Shanghai, Sept. 9.—Copyright, 1900, by the New York Herald Company.—An Imperial decree was issued on August 19 in Hual-Lai, Province of Chi-Li, through the Acting Viceroy, Ling Gong. It was received here by Li Hung Chang on September 1. It reads:

"The Chio-Chuan outlaws (Boxers), in their hatred of foreigners and Christians, have attacked them at Taku and Tientsin. The allied forces have therefore taken Tien-Tsin and Taku, and on the morning of August 15 attacked the Imperial capital from the east, and the Tung-Chi and Chio-Yang gates of the Tartar City were blown up by the Japanese."

"We, therefore, prepared the departure of the Emperor's peace envoy, Prince Ching, who has been repeatedly telegraphed to the foreign Powers, remonstrating against the invasion of our kingdom. They have replied that they fight only against the Chio-Chuan (Boxers) and their leaders and are not in conflict with our Government, showing that they are willing to make peace."

"But as all the Ministers are safe in Peking, we hereby command Yan Lu, Hsu Tung and Ching Yu to stay in Peking and arrange terms of peace. We also command Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of Chi-Li, who is our faithful and trusted officer, and has the confidence of foreigners, to devise measures to bring about negotiations and telegraph to the Secretaries of State of the various countries, or consult the Consuls General at Shanghai, to trust that Li Hung Chang will forward the cause of peace, thereby earning our thanks."

Ghing Yi has died at Pao-Ting-Fu.

**CHINESE RECRUITING SOLDIERS.**

Canton, via Hong-Kong, Sept. 9.—Copyright, 1900, by the New York Herald Company.—There are reports that the French army in China at Kiang-Chow-Yan, and that the Chinese did not reply.

A Chinese Admiral has come to Canton and is engaged in raising 8,000 soldiers.

The Manchus in Canton are very restless. The English school has been closed. The Mandarin in the city wish foreigners to show themselves in the city. The festival nights passed peacefully at Hong-Kong.

**AMERICANS ROUTED BOXER ARMY.**

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Shanghai, Sept. 7.—Mails from the North bring a bunch of belated messages, with a notice from the cable office at Taku, dated August 29, saying that the office, being five days behind on Government messages, is unable to undertake other work.

The wires to Peking were being cut daily by Boxers, and communications were interrupted half the time, although restored as rapidly as possible by the British and Americans.

Taku cable office, on the date mentioned, was handling the messages of all the Governments and armies except the Russian and Japanese, and the press dispatches would necessarily fare ill.

The Russians and Japanese scoured the country for twenty miles south of Peking looking for Boxers, but had found none.

Three hundred men of the Sixth United States Cavalry defeated 500 Boxers, who had arrived with spears and swords at Haining River, eleven miles from Peking. Thirty Boxers were killed and many were taken prisoners. The flags of the enemy and a large quantity of weapons were captured.

On September 1 the Japanese-Germans were pushing troops from Tien-Tsin toward Peking.

On the same date an Imperial Grand Secretary and member of the Tzuang Li Yamen, whose name is given as Kuo, which is not intelligible, conferred with Sir Claude MacDonald, the British Minister, with the result that Prince Ching was expected in Peking September 3.

A week ago the Japanese and Ministers have been discussing the advisability of destroying the Forbidden City because the Chinese had failed to make peace overtures. The Russians strongly favored destruction, but the others delayed action in order to come to terms with the Government.

The British seized Feng-Tai, an important railway station and strategic position south of Peking.

The buildings at Tien-Tsin from which the Germans propose to evict the Americans are large warehouses owned by Chinamen and conveniently located on the Pei-Ho at the head of steamboat navigation. The Americans have been occupying these since they arrived at Tien-Tsin. As the other large buildings were taken by other troops they will be hard to find suitable winter quarters for the Americans.

After the decision not to destroy the Forbidden City, detachments of the allies marched through the Imperial palace, finding dirt and confusion everywhere. Everything valuable had been removed.

**MARCHAND SAILS FOR CHINA.**

Major Marchand of Fashoda, who is going to represent France on the International Commission, composed of officers entrusted with the settlement of diplomatic questions and any difficulties arising between the different portions of the foreign empire.

An immense crowd gave him a rousing send-off. The Nationalists endeavored to make political capital out of his departure, and the Nationalist Mayor of Paris coming to the city for the special purpose of bidding Major Marchand farewell.

**FRENCH OUTWITTED AMERICANS.**

London, Sept. 10, 4:35 a. m.—The deadlock in Peking apparently continues. It begins to look as if no solution would be attained, at any rate before the arrival of Count von Waldersee at Tien-Tsin. Germany seems to have introduced a new complication by endeavoring to organize some kind of offensive movement in the Province of Chi-Li.

According to a Shanghai dispatch, in the appointment of the city to the control of the different nations the Americans, in ignorance of what was being done, permitted a rectification of the French quarters, adjoining the American, which transferred from American to French possession

Prince Li's palace, the richest in Peking, stocked with treasures worth millions of dollars.

The Hong-Kong correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, writing Saturday, Sept. 9, says: "Sir Alfred Girdle, British commander in Peking, has wired to Hong-Kong directing that no more troops be sent forward. In North China the Japanese and Russians have arrived at an understanding and are working together more cordially."

**OLD MAN'S HEROIC FEAT.**

Stopped a Runaway and Saved Three Ladies From Injury.

John W. Stephens, 65 years old, an inspector for the City Lighting Department, living at No. 253 1/2 North Market street, last night proved himself a hero by stopping the mad flight of a runaway horse attached to a light car wagon, in which were seated two young ladies, who were in imminent danger of being thrown from the vehicle at any moment.

He was dragged 100 feet by the frightened animal and received injuries which necessitated the services of a physician. But for his presence of mind and bravery the occupants of the rig would probably have been badly, if not fatally, injured.

Mr. Stephens is a veteran fireman, being one of the members of the original volunteer department.

Yesterday about 6 o'clock a spirited horse attached to a light car wagon, in which were seated two young ladies, one 16 and the other about 20 years old, was going west on North Market street between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets.

At the same time a bicyclist approached from the opposite direction, and when near the buggy a dog ran out and, while barking at the bicyclist, was knocked down. The horse immediately became frightened and started running at a breakneck pace. The two young ladies, apparently powerless to stop the flight of the coast, clung in terror to the sides of the buggy. Before several young men, who had witnessed the accident, could act, Stephens, who was standing in his yard, rushed across the street, grabbed the reins and held on. The old skill which had made him famous as a fireman in his younger days prevailed, and with the assistance of ex-Councilman John G. Brinkmeyer, who lives directly across the street, the animal was soon brought to a stop, but not before the man who had mastered him had received several severe bruises.

The vehicle was badly damaged, but the young ladies, beyond sustaining a severe bruise on the head and a slight one on the face, were unhurt. The old man, who had been lifted from the vehicle, was taken to his home and his injuries were attended to.

**CARNIVAL OPENS TO-DAY.**

To-Night Queen of Belleville Fair Will Be Crowned.

The Belleville Carnival opens to-day and will continue throughout the week. The committee in charge of the fair have done everything to make it a success, and many new and interesting attractions have been provided.

The principal event to-day will be the coronation of the Queen, which will take place on the Public Square at 7:30 p. m.

The reception and banquet that is to follow the coronation will take place in the Belleville House, in place of the old hall, as was originally intended.

The electrical illumination will be one of the features of this fair. The electric lights have been strung along Main and Illinois streets, at intervals, and the effect at the test last night was beautiful.

The animal show and the flying yachts will be on the Public Square. Bumper, the celebrated acrobat, will be on the Public Square. A snake race will be on North Clark street. The electric light show will be on the Public Square. The electric light show will be on the Public Square.

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A distinctive, unique and graceful gift for the holidays, at no great cost.

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## INSULT TO A GIRL CAUSED RIOT AMONG EXCURSIONISTS.

Fierce Battle at Venice in Which Two Hundred Persons Participated—Several Injured.

Venice, Ill., was the scene of a riot early yesterday morning which the authorities were almost powerless to quell. The battle lasted for nearly an hour, and in that time the number of injuries inflicted was appalling.

Mrs. Nansen, a pretty excursionist on the steamer Providence, where the trouble originated, was the cause of it all. She was jostled while dancing, and her grievance led to a factional warfare between two crowds, one from Granite City, the other from Venice.

The big excursion steamer was inbound after a trip down the river, and as there was no available space aboard to fight out the difficulty it was agreed to wait until a landing was effected at Venice.

Seven street cars were waiting to take the excursionists to their homes in the Illinois Tri-Cities, but before the crowd could surge from the wharfbottom to the cars a wreck of a vessel which looked like a large steam tug was observed just before the party landed.

In the bay the carcasses of nearly 300 horses and mules were seen.

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**Pillow Tops.**

Stamped Linen and Art Ticking, assorted patterns, with and without backs;

35c Each.

Reduced from 50c, 75c and 85c.

**Radford Jasper Ware.**

Wedgwood Decorations.

Sugar Bowls and Cream Pitchers

50c Each.

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**Cut Glass.**

Sugar Sifters.....30c

Syrup Jugs.....50c

Mustard Pots.....15c Each

Reduced from 45c.

**Salts and Peppers—Sterling tops,**

25c Each.

Regularly worth 40c.

**Netlach Beer Steins.**

In various sizes—artistically decorated, Metal Tops;

35c, 50c, \$1.00, \$2.00.

Were 65c, \$1.10, \$2.00 and up to \$6.50

**Hassocks.**

A few Round and Square Hassocks, covered with Body Brussels and Wilton Carpets;

65c and \$1.25.

Were \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.

**Fern Dishes.**

Austrian and Radford Jasper Ware; \$1.00 Each.

Reduced from \$1.50 and \$2.00.

**Door Mats.**

31 Coca Door Mats, both Plain and Inlaid;

50c, 75c, \$1.50.

Were 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$2, \$2.50.

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gaining within fifty yards of the medium Gulf tide, that the wealthy residence portion of the city is located, and this was the first part of the city to be stricken by the full force of the storm's flood. All of the eastern end of the city must certainly be washed away, and in this quarter, between Broadway and I street, some of the handsomest and most expensive residence establishments are located. There was located one home, which alone cost the owner over \$100,000. Most of the residences are of frame, but there are many of stone and brick. In the extreme eastern end of the city there are many of what we call "trained cottages." They are built on piling and stand from eight to ten feet from the ground as a precaution from floods, it being possible for the water to sweep under them.

**City Had Little Protection.**

"The only protection that has ever been provided for the Gulf side of the city has been two stone breakwaters, but many times, with ordinary storms coming in from the Gulf, the high tide water has been hurled over the low stone walls right to the very doors of the residences. From Virginia Point, six miles from Galveston, the ordinary conditions of the atmosphere, the city can be plainly seen. If it is true that Galveston cannot now be seen from the point, then the condition of the people in the city must be indescribably horrible."

When asked as to the wealth of some of the principal business quarters of Galveston, Mr. Clarkson said:

"Many millions of dollars are invested in wholesale and retail business of the city. On Strand street alone there are ten blocks of business establishments that represent an invested capital of \$12,000,000. Market street is the heavy retail street, and there, in the heart of the flooded district, the losses cannot be reached into the millions. The fact, as indicated by the dispatches, that water is standing six feet deep in the Tremont Hotel furnishes startling evidence to me that Galveston has indeed been dreadfully visited. The hotel is in almost exactly the center of the city. Two years ago Galveston did the heaviest shipping business in cotton and grain of any Southern city. When I was here, two ship loads of cattle were then leaving port on an average every week."

**TRAIN WRECKED NEAR SAYERS.**

One Man Paralyzed by Injuries and Others Bruised.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 9.—A bulletin received at 4 p. m. from Houston says: "The storm struck this place about 1 o'clock last night. It was severest between 2 and 5 o'clock this morning. The millinery store of Miss E. L. Lesters was wrecked. The T. A. Hasler block, devoted to furniture and business warehouses, and including the Odd Fellows' hall, were seriously damaged. The Opera-house and the store of P. O. Elzner were also damaged by water."

From the Front Saloon, which suffered from fire a short time ago, and which was undergoing repairs, is ruined. Three coaches of the northbound Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train, stuck here at 11:30 p. m., were derailed south of Sayers this morning about 2:30 and a number of passengers were bruised. A. J. Little, Tex., ex-county chairman of the Republican party, was among the injured.

**ANXIOUS ABOUT HIS FAMILY.**

F. O. Becker's Wife and Children in the Storm District.

Mr. F. O. Becker, who is general agent of the St. Louis Committee of Western Executive Officials, was among those who made anxious inquiries at the Republic office yesterday for news from Galveston, his wife and children being there at present.

Mr. Becker was commissioner of the Galveston Traffic Bureau, and resigned that position to accept his present one in St. Louis. He came here but a few weeks ago, intending to bring his family as soon as he got the new offices in working order. He has heard nothing from them since the storm and in consequence fears for their safety.

**WARM WEATHER**

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The cooling, toning and blood-enriching qualities of Hood's Sarsaparilla are wonderful. It strengthens the stomach and digestive organs and creates an appetite. It has an unequalled record of cures of scrofula, salt rheum, boils, pimples and other diseases caused by impure blood.

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